

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract by rewriting same to read as follows.

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--A contents database in which data of contents enciphered by a C key is stored and provided for a contents server, wherein the contents data enciphered by the C key are enciphered by an M key and sent to a user machine. In the user machine, the contents data enciphered by the C key are stored in a storage device. Upon reproduction, the contents data enciphered by the C key from the storage device are sent to an enciphering/decoding processing unit and decoded and charging is performed in accordance with the C key. A dynamic authenticating code which dynamically changes with the elapse of time is added to the C key.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-37 by rewriting same to read as follows:

~~--1. (Amended) A data distributing apparatus comprising:~~
~~a first identification storing unit in which first identification data that is unique to an equipment and second~~